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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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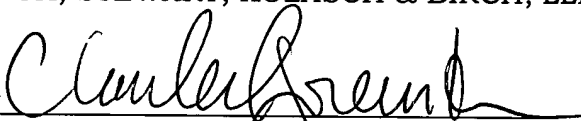
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Enclosures:

- ☒ PTO-1449
- ☒ Documents (4)
- ☐ Foreign Search Report
- ☐ Fee
- ☒ Other: Japanese Office Action with English translation
as well as English abstract for each reference.

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NOTICE OF GROUND OF REJECTION

Patent Application No. 11-369650

Patent Office Examiner: Akira SUZUKI

To Attorney, Mr. Hisao Fukami (et al.):

The present application shall be recognized to be rejected on the ground as noted in circle. It is required that the remarks, if any, be submitted sixty days from the date on which the present NOTICE was mailed.

GROUND

It is recognized that, because the invention described in Claim(s) of SCOPE OF CLAIMS FOR PATENT of the present application could have been invented readily by a person having ordinary knowledge in the field of the art to which the present invention pertains prior to the filing of the present application based on the invention as described in the following publication(s) (1-4) distributed in Japan and/or foreign countries prior to the filing of the present application, a patent cannot be granted thereto under the provision of Paragraph 2 of Article 29 of the Patent Law.

REMARKS

(As to the cited references,
see appended List of Cited References)

As to claims 1-15

References: Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4

Note: References 1, 2, 3 and 4 all describe recording of information that indicates correspondence between a still image and a moving picture. Changing the order of still images is described in References 1 and 2, and cut-out of a still image is described in References 3 and 4. The DPP and AV/C as transmitting means are well known.

When a new ground of rejection is found, a new Notice of Rejection will be issued.

List of Cited References

1. Japanese Patent Laying-Open No. 10-276388
2. Japanese Patent Laying-Open No. 11-284948
3. Japanese Patent Laying-Open No. 4-117686
4. Japanese Patent Laying-Open No. 9-093527

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引 用 文 献 等 一 覧

1. 特開平10-276388号公報
2. 特開平11-284948号公報
3. 特開平4-117686号公報
4. 特開平9-093527号公報

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